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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2004, please enter the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 9 are pending.

The Examiner made a requirement for a selection of a single species from the following:

Species I: Figures 5A and 5B

Species II: Figures 6A and 6B

Species III: Figures 9A and 9B

Species IV: Figures 12A and 12B

Species V: Figures 13 to 15

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